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Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

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April 18, 2008

United States Department of Education ATTN: Janet Scire, Mail Stop 2600 7100 Old Landover Road Landover, MD 20785-1506

Dear Ms. Scire:

Enclosed is Missouri's application for Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). According to instructions included in a memorandum from Patricia Guard, we are sending these original documents to demonstrate state eligibility for funds under Part B of the IDEA. In addition, as of the above date, we have submitted the application electronically to the following e-mail address:

OSERS.bapp@ed.gov and faxed the original signature pages from Dr. D. Kent King, Commissioner of Education to (202) 245-7614, attention Janet Scire.

Missouri's Part B application, consistent with federal requirements, was posted from February 4, 2008, to April 4, 2008 (60 days prior to date of submission), and during that period, public comments were accepted for a period of at least 30 days (February 18, 2008, to March 18, 2007). The Department received no comments during the public comment period. In keeping with the statutory requirement in Section 608(a) for the state to identify and notify all responsible public agencies of any rule, regulation, or policy that is a state imposed requirement and not required under the IDEA or federal regulations, the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education identified one item that falls in this category. The Department has notified all responsible public agencies in the state of those items through a statewide listsery message.

If you have any questions concerning this application, you may contact me (573-751-4444 or heidi.atkinslieberman@dese.mo.gov) or Pam Williams (573-751-2965 or pam.williams@dese.mo.gov).

Sincerely,

Heidi Atkins Lieberman, Assistant Commissioner Division of Special Education

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Enclosure

c: Dr. Larry Ringer, Office of Special Education Programs

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Ms. Bev Woodhurst, SEAP Chairperson

Dr. D. Kent King, Commissioner of Education

Ms. Pam Williams, Coordinator, Special Education Services

Mr. Dale Carlson, Coordinator, Special Education Administration